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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Meeting with QRDYNAMIC Principals

1. On 6 and 7 November 1973 I met with QRDYNAMIC principals in New York for operational discussions, and to meet Reverend Ivan Hrinioch, President of ZP/UHVR, visiting the United States and Canada from Munich. With Kaminsky and Prokop I reviewed the role of [ ] in the [ ] activity (covered in a separate contact report). We also reviewed the results of Kaminsky's recent trip to Europe, as the result of which he has submitted several items of FI which are in SB/RR for processing. Kaminsky reported on recent activities of Roman Paladiychuk and his Chicom-supported Ukrainian Society for the Study of Asian Problems. Kaminsky had mailed me an extensive report which has been the basis of a dispatch to COS, [ ] and COB, Munich.

2. I told Prokop that I had discovered a printing error in the November 1973 issue of Suchasnist - on the front cover the German word for Munich is spelled Muunchen instead of Muenchen. Prokop was much embarrassed by this error, and apologized that even his proofreaders had not caught such an obvious mistake. This led to further discussion of the magazine's format: the German text giving the name of the publisher, required by local law, and appearing on the title page, is printed by their New York printer on a reproduction mat along with the Cyrillic Ukrainian text and sent to Munich where it is reproduced by photo-offset by Westenhuber printers. The failing in this system is that the German text appears with no umlaut diacritical marks (Muunchen instead of München), which, for a supposed German printing shop, is unusual, to say the least. The New York printer does not have these diacritical type faces. I told Prokop that I considered this to be very unprofessional, and would arrange for our Headquarters printing service to produce the proper repro mats with correct diacritics. I did this on 9 November - the mats are scheduled to be ready by 14 November, and I will mail them to Prokop in time for his setting up of the January 1974 issue of Suchasnist. I

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told Prokop we appreciated Professor Bylinsky's critique of Suchasnist, and would like more. Two more academicians have promised similar critiques.

3. We also talked about the proposed printing of Suchasnist in the U.S. in order to save money in face of the dollar devaluation. Prolog's studies have shown that, in view of the fact that Westenhuber gives a liberal discount, little if any could be saved by printing in the U.S. or Canada at this time. Thus, this problem seems to be resolved for the moment.

4. This meeting was highlighted by my introduction to our sixth QRDYNAMIC principal agent, Reverend Ivan Hrinioch (QRDYNAMIC/3), a long-time CIA asset (since 1946) and President of the ZP/UHVR. Hrinioch, born in 1907, is a semi-retired Uniate Catholic priest and lecturer in various German universities. He works closely with the Ukrainian Cardinal (in-exile) Josef Slippy in the Vatican, but in his retirement now spends the majority of his time in his home in a small village on the Tegernsee near Munich. Cardinal Slippy has always been opposed to any overt political activity on the part of Father Hrinioch, but the old gentleman is a political activist and enjoys his clandestine collaboration with Kaminsky, and by extension with the CIA. He has been a reliable and valuable source of information on Ukrainian dissidence. Hrinioch has had a full operational approval since 1953, and has worked with many CIA officers. Unfortunately he was last met by SB officers in May 1968. He mentioned to me this lack of contact with great regret, saying he felt he could be more useful to us with more frequent and prolonged contact.

5. During meetings at Prolog, at lunch, and later in the evening at a dinner given by Dr. Prokop, I had the opportunity to converse extensively with Reverend Hrinioch on Soviet Ukrainian and Russian affairs, the nationalities problem, the Chinese problem, and reluctantly on the current situation in Washington, D.C. We talked about the role of ZP/UHVR and the need for obtaining more information on the dissident movement and its future in the light of detente. Hrinioch meets many travelers from the Soviet Union, who often confide in him because of his clerical status, and he has provided information from these visitors to Kaminsky. Hrinioch is a very healthy, intellectually keen man with a good sense of humor. He is politically liberal, and enjoys poking gentle fun at the "Vatican establishment" which he knows well from his many years of service there. Hrinioch had been in Toronto from 2-5 November for a Ukrainian Uniate church conference, where he delivered a key address. The conference, attended by several thousand Ukrainian Catholics, was hosted in turn by the City of Toronto, Province of Ontario, and the Canadian federal government.

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6. I met the Reverend again on 7 November for a short conversation and to bid him goodbye; he leaves for Germany sometime after 12 November. He thanked me for the CIA aid to ZP/UHVR and Prolog, and assured me of his continued loyalty and cooperation. He then asked if it would be possible for me to visit him in Munich with Kaminsky in the near future for further discussions, and I assured him I would consider it seriously.

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